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For:

STORAGE SYSTEM

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<u>AMENDMENT</u>

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of February 8, 2007, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper; and

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.